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Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 5 Percent From Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on February 1, 2010 totaled 205,000 head, 5 percent below the February 1, 2009 inventory, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The cattle on feed inventory is down 10,000 head from January 1, 2010. Placements of cattle in State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during January totaled 30,000 head, down 7,000 head from January 2009 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during January totaled 39,000 head, down 2,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 during January.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.0 million head on February 1, 2010. The inventory was 3 percent below February 1, 2009. Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.83 million, 2 percent below 2009. Net placements were 1.76 million head. During January, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 400,000, 600-699 pounds were 445,000, 700-799 pounds were 560,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 420,000. Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.77 million, 2 percent above 2009. This is the third lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of January since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 70,000 during January, 4 percent above 2009.